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From: Easterling, Deborah
Sent: Monday, September 18, 2017 12:34 PM
To:
Subject: Letter of Protest/Comments to the Public Service Commission of SC

Dear Ms. Parsons,

This is to acknowledge receipt of your Letter of Protest/Comments to the Public Service Commission of South Carolina. Your Letter of Protest/Comments will be placed in the Protest File of the Dockets listed below and on the Commission's Website at www.psc.sc.gov.

- Docket No. 2017-228-S - Application of Palmetto Utilities, Incorporated for Adjustment of Rates and Charges for Customers in the Palmetto Utilities and Palmetto of Richland County Service Areas
- Docket No. 2017-105-S - Joint Application of Palmetto of Richland County, LLC and Palmetto Utilities, Incorporated for Approval of Merger

A Protestant is an individual objecting on the ground of private or public interest to the approval of an Application, Petition, Motion or other matters which the Commission may have under consideration. A Protestant may offer sworn testimony but cannot cross-examine witnesses offered by other parties.

According to the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, filing a Protest does not make you a Party of Record. A Protestant desiring to become an Intervenor (i.e., a Party of Record) in a proceeding before the Commission may file a Petition for Intervention within the time prescribed by the Commission.

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If we may be of further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Deborah Easterling
Executive Assistant
803-896-5133



* Required Fields

Letter of Protest

Date: * 9-6-17

in Docket 2017-228-S AND
2017 105-S

Protestant Information:

Name * Cecile PARSONS

Mailing Address *

City* Blain

State* SC

Zip *

Phone *

E-mail

1. What is your connection or interest in this case? * For example, are you a customer of the Company that is the subject of this pending proceeding? (This section must be completed. Attach additional information if necessary.)

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2. Please give a concise statement of your protest. * (This section must be completed. Attach additional information if necessary.)

This protest is for such a significant rate increase over a relatively short period of time, especially in these stressful economic times and for those of us on fixed incomes. This most definitely reflects a great insensitivity to your existing customer base. I certainly do not agree that your merger and expansion of system capacity (H) is a benefit to me. The only obvious benefit is to your company(s) for system expansion related to increased market share that you want us to pay for. As for the merger it is most likely for the

3. Do you wish to make an appearance at a hearing in this proceeding, if scheduled, and offer sworn testimony? *

reduction in the long run, of ~~your~~ company expenses by elimination of duplication of efforts and increases over time in market share not to benefit the existing customer who ~~are~~ you insist bear the burden of your desire for growth

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